## **10/587487** AP20 Rec'd PCT/PTO 27 JUL 2006.

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

:

Atsushi ITO et al.

Mail Stop: PCT

Serial No. NEW

Attorney Docket No. 2006\_1111A

Filed July 27, 2006

FUNCTION MANAGING APPARATUS [Corresponding to PCT/JP2005/011302

Filed June 21, 2005]

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT** 

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows: